

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the subtitle on page 1, line 1 with the following rewritten subtitle:

~~DESCRIPTION~~ TITLE

Please delete the following subtitle on page 1, line 5:

TECHNICAL FIELD

Please replace the subtitle on page 1, line 10 with the following rewritten subtitle:

~~BACKGROUND ART OF THE INVENTION~~

Please delete the following subtitle on page 1, line 22:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Please delete the following subtitle on page 1, line 23:

PROBLEMS TO BE SOLVED BY THE INVENTION

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Please replace the subtitle on page 3, line 7 with the following rewritten subtitle:

~~SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION~~

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Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending at line 4 on page 6:

Additional features and advantages of the present invention are described in, and will be apparent from, the following Detailed Description and the Figures.

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FIGURES

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Please replace the subtitle on page 6, line 25 with the following rewritten subtitle:

~~DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION~~

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Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending at line ~~1~~ on page ~~22~~:

It should be understood that various changes and modifications to the presently preferred
embodiments described herein will be apparent to those skilled in the art. Such changes and
modifications can be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention
and without diminishing its intended advantages. It is therefore intended that such changes and
modifications be covered by the appended claims.

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